

I believe that satellite broadcasting should be allowed to provide local weather and traffic conditions without interference from local stations. As a professional driver, I cannot take the time to find every local station that might give me the information a few minutes from now when, as a subscriber to XM radio, I can bring up the information when I need it. It takes time and much more distraction from my driving trying to find a strong enough radio signal for an area providing the information I need, when later in that same day, I will be a state away repeating the same process rather than just hitting a preset button for the area I need. I firmly believe that rather than attacking a better service, local broadcasters need to work on their own content, then they may get some of their listeners back. When I am not travelling for my job, I do listen to my local broadcast stations as I know what stations I need to get the information and entertainment I desire.

Please reject the NABs petition 04-160 and allow XM to continue their excellent service without fear of panicked attacks from narrow minded corporations.

Thank you for your time.

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